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Land Grant Application- Nichols, Bela (Prospect)

Bela Nichols

Dorcas Nichols

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Doreas Nichols
of Prospect
vicino of Bella Nichols
Res. March 17. 1835

Rec June 3. 1837

Enlisted for 3 yrs in Col
Baldwin's Regt. as an
Artificer.

Served 19 mo 11 d & was
promoted to a Lieut in
same Regt.

See Rolls

Admitted to
^{Registration}
Certificate No. 413
issued June 3. 1837
Sent for me to
J. Williamson Esq

J. Williamson

month

I Dorcas Nickols of Prospect in the county
of Waldo & state of Maine aged 69 years do,
upon oath declare, in order to obtain the
benefit of a resolve of the legislature of Maine passed
17. 1835 entitled "a resolve in favor of certain
officers and soldiers of the Revolutionary war,
and the widows of the command officers & soldiers,"
that I am the widow of Bela Nickols late of
the same Prospect who died at said Prospect
on the 18th day of November A.D. 1831 - That
I have reason to believe, and do fully believe that
my said husband did enlist into a Regiment
of the Massachusetts line & troops in the early part
of the revolution to serve during the war, and held
service to the close thereof when he was honorably
discharged - and further, that soon after his enlist-
ment, he was promoted to a Lieutenant, in which
capacity & under which commission he served to the
close of said war, but do not recollect the Regiment,

I do further on oath declare that I have reason to
believe & do ^{fully} believe, that my said late husband, Bela
Nickols, was at the time of his said enlistment an inhabitant
& co-habit in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and
that I do know that he was at the time of his decease
as aforesaid an inhabitant of said state of Maine,
residing in Prospect aforesaid, where he resided for
nearly two years before his decease. That I have reason
to believe & do fully believe that neither my said late
husband nor, any one claiming under him did receive
(nor here I recollect since his decease) a grant of land or
money in lieu thereof from the Commonwealth of
Massachusetts for his said service or any other service
during the revolutionary war, and that I am therefore
justly entitled to the full benefit of said resolve.

Dorcas

Nickols
mark

over

State of Maine

we do ss: The foregoing declaration subscribed, & sworn to
this twenty sixth day of May A.D. 1857

Before me Joseph Micciman,
Justice of the Peace

Know all men by these presents that I Dorcas
Nichols of Prospect in the County of Waldo & State of
Maine, being the same person by whom the foregoing
instrument was made do hereby constitute and
appoint Joseph Williamson of Belfast in same
County my true & lawful attorney for me & in my
name to receive from the Land Agent of the State
of Maine such certificates as he may issue to me
in virtue of a Resolve of said State, passed
March 17. 1835 entitled "A Resolve in favor
of certain officers and soldiers of the revolutionary
war, and the widows of the deceased officers and
soldiers," to the benefit of which resolve, I am entitled,
and said attorney is hereby authorized and
empowered upon the receipt of said certificates, to
me & in my name to execute such receipt, or
acknowledgment therefor, as I might, were
I personally present.

Hereby ratifying and confirming aforesaid,
my said attorney shall do by virtue hereof,
witness my hand & seal this twenty sixth
day of May A.D. 1837

signed sealed & delivered.

Dorcas

Nichols
mark

in presence of
Frederick Hall
State of Maine

Witness ss. Be it known that on this twenty sixth day of May A.D. 1837.
before the subscriber a Justice of the Peace for said County personally
appeared Dorcas Nichols abovesaid, and acknowledged
the foregoing power of attorney by her signed to be her free
act & deed. In testimony whereunto subscribe my
name the day & year last aforesaid

Frederick Hall Justice of Peace

Mr John Hodgdon

Sanil Agent

Bangor.

State of Maine
Waldo County

I the Subscriber Register of the Court of Probate for said County. hereby certify that at a Court of Probate held at Belfast on the 25th day of May A.D. 1837, it was proved to the satisfaction of said Court that Dennis Nichols of Prospect in said County of Waldo. widow is the widow of Bela Nichols late of Prospect deceased a Revolutionary Pensioner of the United States now deceased.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & the Seal of the said Court of Probate this 25th day of May A.D. 1837.

Wm. Loring } Register of
Probate

Belfast May 26 1837

Dear John Hodgson

Dear Sir

I send herewith the papers in application of widow Nickols for bounty of this State. The deceased served as an officer under Genl Knick, but the widow is unable to say in what company or Regiment. He drew a pension of \$20 a month from the U.S. to the time of his decease. His commission is doubtless in Washington with the papers.

The result, please to communicate to

Yours most obt servt
Jos Williamson

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Dorcas Nichols

STATE OF MAINE.

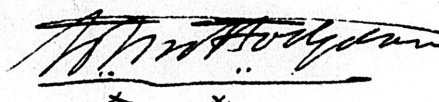
No. 413

LAND OFFICE,
Augusta, June 3, 1837.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That Dorcas Nichols _____
of Prospect _____ in the County of Waldo, widow
of Bela Nichols late of said Prospect, deceased
by declaration sworn to on the 26th day of May last
_____ (See claim No. 738) _____

and other accompanying evidence has satisfactorily proved her claim
to the benefits of a "Resolve in favor of certain officers and soldiers of
the Revolutionary war and the widows of deceased officers and soldiers,"
approved March 17, A. D. 1835, and that "THE LAWFUL HOLDER" of this
certificate is entitled, under the provisions of a Resolve additional to said
Resolve, approved March 16, 1836, to **TWO HUNDRED ACRES OF**
LAND.

Exam'd & countersigned
Oliver Frost

 Land Agent of Maine.
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